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Nansemond Co (Suffolk) Chancery Causes: Tinnie Gardner vs Jesse Gardner

Riddick, Pope

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, In Vacation, on the 29th day of August, 1911.

Tinie Gardner, Plaintiff.

vs. In Chancery.

Jesse Gardner, Defendant.

The object of this suit is to obtain for the plaintiff an absolute divorce a **vinculo matrimonii** from her husband, the defendant. Affidavit having been made and filed that the said defendant, Jesse Gardner, is not a resident of this state, it is ordered that he appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond county, within fifteen days after due publication thereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest, and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks, in the Suffolk Herald, a newspaper published in said county.

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R. R. SMITH, Clerk.

By M. M. WATKINS, D. C.

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Virginia: Nassau County to wit:
In the clerk's office of the Circuit
Court of said County:

Timie Gardner Plaintiff

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vs
Jesse Gardner Defendant.

I R H Rader Attorney and agent
for the plaintiff in the above
suit in Chancery which is now
pending in said Court do
solemnly swear that to the best of
my knowledge information and
belief the said Jesse Gardner the
defendant in said suit is not
a resident of this State.
R H Rader.

Sworn to before me in said office
on this 28th day of August 1911
by said R H Rader.

M M Watkins
Deputy Clerk
Circuit Court of Nassau County

Affidavit as
to non residence.

VIRGINIA:

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Nansemond.

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vs.

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Chancery

I hereby certify that on the *29th* day of *August*, 191/

I posted a copy of the order of publication entered herein, at the front door of the Courthouse of the County of Nansemond; that being on or before the next succeeding rule day after said order was entered.

Given under my hand this *29th* day of *August*, 191/

R. R. Smith

, Clerk,

By *M. M. Warran*

, Deputy Clerk.

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Test: R.R. Smith, Clerk
By M.M. Watkins D.C.

CHANCERY SUMMONS.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

TO THE SHERIFF OF NANSEMOND COUNTY—GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMON Jesse Gardner

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Nansemond County, at the Rules to be held for the said Court, on the First Monday in September, 1911, to answer

a Bill in Chancery, exhibited against him

in the said Court by Tinie Gardner

And have then and there this summons.

Witness. R. R. SMITH, Clerk of our said Court, at his office, this 29th day of August, 1911, 19, in the 13^{6th} year of the Commonwealth.

~~A copy~~ Teste:

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R. H. Rawles p. q.

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IN CHANCERY.

Jesse Gardner

1911

September Rules.

First Monday.

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J. R. R. Smith Clerk of the Circuit
Court of Lawrence County:

Timie Gardner

Plff

^{vs}
Jesse Gardner

Def.

Issue summons for plaintiff
against defendant to first
Sept. Term 1911 (first Monday in
Sept. 1911) to appear and file
affidavit of a bill in chancery.

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Order publication

Memo. for clerk.

Timi Gardner

Jesse^r Gardner.

The depositions of Amanda Riddick, and others, taken before me L. Pretlow Holland, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of the City of Suffolk, at the office of R. H. Rawles, in Suffolk, Virginia, on the 19th day of March, 1913, to be read as evidence on behalf of the plaintiff in a certain suit in equity depending in said court wherein Tinnie Gardner is plaintiff, and Jesse Gardner is defendant.

No notice was given of the taking of these depositions because the cause stood on an order of publication, and the defendant Jesse Gardner had never made any appearance or filed any answer or demurrer to said bill, and was therefore under the law not entitled to further notice. This cause was also instituted and the order of publication duly had before the late statute in regard to the divorce, which requires that a copy of the notice shall be mailed to the last known residence of the defendant. That law was not in force at the time of the institution of this suit, or at the time of the order of publication, but was enacted long afterwards, and therefore does not apply.

PRESENT:

R. H. Rawles, counsel for plaintiff.

No appearance of the defendant.

Tinnie Gardner, being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

Q. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and if you know the parties to this suit?

A. Tinnie Gardner, 35 years, Pleasant Hill, In Nansemond County, merchant, and I know the parties, I am the plaintiff and my husband is the defendant.

Q. When were you and your husband Jesse Gardner married? A. In 1896.

Q. Do you remember the month? A. In April, 30th.

Q. Where were you married? A. In Nansemond County, in Bennett's pasture.

Q. Where did you reside after marriage? A. Right there.

Q. With whom did you live?

A. We lived by ourselves for a while, and then after he left me, I went back to my brother-in-laws.

Q. How long have you been living continuously in Nansemond County?

A. Twenty-three or four years.

Q. Does your husband now live in this county? A. No sir.

Q. Do you know where he lives?

A. I do not know exactly, I cannot say where he is living at, I heard he was in New Jersey.

Q. Are you and your husband now living together? A. No sir.

Q. Why are you not living together?

A. Well, because he wouldn't stay with me is all I know.

Q. Do you mean to say that he left you? A. Yes sir.

Q. Where were you living at that time?

A. In Bennett's Pasture, in Nansemond County.

Q. Why did he leave you?

A. Because he thought more of somebody else I suppose, I don't know what else.

Q. When did he leave you? A. In 1897.

Q. Did he leave you or you leave him. A. He left me.

Q. What cause did you give him for leaving you?

A. I didn't give him any cause as I know of.

Q. How did you treat him when he lived with you?

A. I treated him the best I knowed how.

Q. Did you mistreat him in any way?

A. I didn't mistreat him no way, as I know of.

-2- Tinnie Gardmer.

Q. State whether you quarrelled with him or abused him or not?

A. I never abused him, or didn't quarrel with him either.

Q. State whether you made his life unpleasant or unhappy while you lived with him? A. I ought not to.

Q. How did he treat you while he lived with you?

A. I don't know hardly, he gave me a little something to eat now and then, he wasn't kind and loving either, for he didn't stay at home very much, well he just did not do anything by me as I could see, he wouldn't pay the house rent, and sometimes no wood, and nights by myself all night, he just kept staying off until he stayed off for good and that is all.

Q. Where did he go when he left you in 1897?

A. He went up north.

Q. Has he ever been back to live with you since that time?

A. No sir.

Q. Have you ever seen him since that time?

A. I saw him once, I saw him on the road going down in the county in a hack.

Q. What did he say to you? A. He just said goodevening.

Q. Is that all? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you ever seen him any other time since he left you in 1897?

A. No sir.

Q. Where did you go after he left you in 1897?

A. I went to New York.

Q. How long did you remain there?

A. About four years.

Q. When did you return? A. I don't know exactly.

Q. How long ago has that been?

A. It has been possibly I reckon elven or twelve years.

Q. Have you been living in this county ever since then? A. Yes.

Q. With whom are you now living? A. With my mother.

Q. Who is your mother? A. Amanda Riddick.

Q. How long have you been living with her?

A. I have been living with her ever since I came back from New York.

-3- Tinnie Gardner.

Q. What hope have you of inducing your husband to return to live with you again?

A. I have no hope whatever of doing so.

And further this deponent saith not.

Witness: L. P. Holland Tinnie Gardner

James E. Pope, being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

Q. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and if you know the parties to this suit?

A. James E. Dope, 42 years, Nansemond County, farmer, and I know the parties to this suit.

Q. How long have you known both of them?

A. Well, I have been knowing Jesse her husband all his life, we were boys raised up together, and I have been knowing her ever since she came to this state, Virginia.

Q. How long has that been? A. I really don't know, about 23 years.

Q. Are Tinnie Gardner and her husband Jesse Gardner now living together?

A. No sir.

Q. Do you know why they are not living together?

A. Well all I know, I know he did not stay with her at the time he was with her, he was all the time gone.

Q. How long ago has that been? A. It has been about 15 years ago.

Q. Do you know when he left her? A. He left her in 1897.

Q. Do you remember about what month? A. In May.

Q. Where were they living at that time?

A. She was living with me at that time.

Q. Where was he living?

A. Well he was living on Capt. Gaskin's land.

Q. What occupation did he have? A. He followed the water.

Q. How long did he live with her after they were married?

A. A little better than twelve months.

Q. How did she treat him while they lived together?

A. Well so far as I could see she seemed to treat him all right.

Q. Did she give him any cause for leaving her?

A. None that I know of, I did not see it.

Q. How near did you live to them at that time?

A. In about three-quarters of a mile.

Q. What I want to know is, where were they living when he went away?

A. They was living there on the Gaskin's land in this county.

Q. How far did you live from them when he lived with her?

A. About three-quarters of a mile.

-2- James E. Pope.

Q. How did he treat her when he lived with her?

A. I don't know how he treated her, I know he didn't stay there with her. He followed water and whenever he was home he didn't stay there, I don't know where he stayed.

Q. Do you mean that he spent very little of his time at home even during that first year of their married life? A. Yes sir.

Q. How did he take care of her?

A. I don't think he took care of her any at all, he didn't come there often enough hardly to take care of her.

Q. How far do you live from the plaintiff now?

A. We live right there together on Pleasant Hill in this county.

Q. State whether Jesse Gardner has ever returned to live with his wife since he left her in May 1897? A. No sir, he have not.

Q. How do you know this?

A. Because I have been living right in her presence and close to her ever since that time.

Q. Would it have been possible for him to have returned to live with her again without your knowledge? A. No sir.

Q. Would you have seen him if he had come back to live with her again?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know where he is now living?

A. The last time I heard from him he was in Madison, New Jersey.

Q. Then he is not now living in this state. A. No sir.

Q. About how long has the plaintiff been living continuously in this state and county. A. About twenty-three years.

Q. Are you quite sure from your own knowledge of these people that Jesse Gardner has been away from his wife since the year 1897?

A. Yessir, I am sure of it.

Q. Do you know whether he has ever made this county his home since that time? A. No sir, he have not.

Q. Do you know whether he has ever been in this county since that time or not? A. Yes sir, he have been here once to my knowledge.

Q. How long did he remain? A. I think he remained here about 3 days

Q. Did he on that occasion go back to live with his wife?

A. No sir.

-3- James E. Pope.

Q. How do you know? A. Because I was right where she was at.

Q. Did he do much for her while he lived with her?

A. He didn't do anything as I saw to amount to anything.

Q. In her bill in this case she has said that he was trifling. Do you know about that?

A. I suppose he was trifling, he was a fellow that liked frolicking, and when he got ashore he frolicked and played around.

And further this deponent saith not.

Witness: *James E. Pope*
J. P. Holland

Amanda Riddick, being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:

Q. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and if you know the parties to this suit?

A. Amamda Riddick, about 55 I reckon, Pleasant Hill, Nansemond County, I farms a little, and I know both the parties, the plaintiff is my daughter.

Q. How long have you known Jesse Gardner?

A. I have been knowing him ever since I came into this state, about twenty-three years.

Q. Does the plaintiff now live with you? A. She lives with me.

Q. How long has she been living with you?

A. She has been living with me all of her days ever since Jesse left her.

Q. Is the plaintiff and her husband now living together?

A. No sir, Jesse ain't living with her.

Q. Why are they not living together?

A. Well just because he didn't want her I suppose, that is all I know. He just acted like he didn't want her.

Q. Did he leave her or did she leave him?

A. He left her because, on one Saturday, I lived up here, and I was going down there to carry her something to eat, and I met Jesse in the road, going to his mammy's with a basket of clothes, and I said Jesse where is my child, and he said I don't know.

Q. Did he leave her or did she leave him? A. He left her.

Q. Are you quite sure ~~of~~ that fact? A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know why he left her?

A. No sir, I don't know why he left her, because he loved other women that is all I know.

Q. How long did he live with her after they were married?

A. About twelve months or a little better.

Q. Do you know whether he has ever returned to live with her since he left her? A. No sir, he has never 'turned no more.

Q. Do you know when he left her?

A. I don't know the date and the year neither, but I know when he left.

Q. How lany years ago has it been since he left her?

A. About fifteen years I gues s.

-2- Amanda Riddick.

Q. How do you know he has never been back to live with her?

A. Because she has been living with me right in my house ever since he left at that time. She came back there when he left.

Q. Has this county been her home ever since that time? A. Yes sir.

Q. Suppose Jesse Gardner had come back during that time to have lived with her, would you have known it?

A. Yes sir, I would have known it because she has not been no where for him to come and live with her unless he come to my house.

Q. Then you feel sure that since he left her in 1897 he has never been back to live with her? A. He ain't never been back to live with her.

Q. How did she treat him?

A. She treated him all right, I went every once in a while to see her but I never could see him there.

Q. So you mean that while they were supposed to be living together, he really stayed with her but little? A. Yes sir, very little.

Q. Will you please state whether the plaintiff is a smart, industrious girl?

A. Yes sir, she has been smart all her days.

Q. Was she abusive towards him while they lived together?

A. I don't know sir about that, Jesse never was there when I went there.

Q. What kind of a disposition has she got? A. A very good one.

Q. What kind of a disposition did Jesse Gardner have?

A. Just don't know nothing about him.

Q. Was he smart or was he idle?

A. Just don't know nothing about his work, he stayed on the water all the time.

Q. How did he provide for her?

A. Didn't give her nothing much, I didn't seen anything much when I went.

And further this deponent saith not.

Witness: L. F. Holland

Amanda ^{her} ~~x~~ Riddick

Joseph Riddick, being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows:

Q. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and if you know the parties to this suit?

A. Joseph Riddick, 32 years, in Pleasant Hill, Nansemond County, farmer, and I know the parties.

Q. How long have you known them?

A. I have known my sister all her life and I have known Jesse about twenty-three years.

Q. When were they married.

A. Well, I didn't just keep the dates, I was small at that time, and couldn't remember exactly.

Q. Where did they live after they were married?

A. In Bennett's pasture, in Nansemond County.

Q. Are they now living together? A. No sir.

Q. How do you know they are not living together?

A. Because I am living right near her and have been ever since.

Q. How far from her? A. About twenty yards, something like that.

Q. Do you know why they are not living together?

A. No sir, I does not know why.

Q. Do you know which one left the other? A. He left her.

Q. Are you sure of that fact? A. Yes sir.

Q. How do you know it? A. Because I know that she was left there and he was gone.

Q. Do you mean that she was left at home and he was gone? A. Yes sir.

Q. Where were they living? A. In Bennett's Pasuter, Nansemond County.

Q. About what time was it when he left her?

A. I couldn't just remember, but it must have been something like fifteen years ago.

Q. What is her disposition? A. Well she has got a very good disposition ever since I have known her.

Q. Is she smart and industrious?

A. Yes sir, she is about as smart as generally comes.

Q. What kind of a disposition did Jesse have?

A. I was small and I do not know much about it.

Q. Do you know how he took care of her? A. No sir, I do not.

Q. Do you know whether he has ever returned to live with her since he went away many years ago?

A. No sir, I doesn't know, I have never seen him in this county since that time.

-2- Joseph Riddick.

Q. And yet you say you have been living hear her all the time since then? A. Yes sir.

Q. Would you probably have seen him if he had come back to live with her? A. Yes sir, I would have seen him all right.

Q. Where does she now live? A. She lives on Pleasant Hill, in Nansemond County.

Q. How long has she been living in Nansemond County?

A. She has been living here about twenty-five years or more.

Q. Then if I understand you her husband went away and left her about twelve or fifteen years ago, and that he has never been back, and that you have never seen him in this county since that time?

A. No sir, I have not.

And further this deponent saith not.

Joseph Riddick
Witness: L. P. Holland

Lizzie Pope, being duly sworn deposes and says as follows:-

Q. State your name, age, residence, occupation, and if you know the parties to this suit?

A. Lizzie Pope, 36 years, in Pleasant Hill, in Nansemond County, I work on farm, and I know Jesse and Tinnie the parties to the suit.

Q. How long have you known both of them?

A. I have been knowing Jesse about 23 years, and I have been knowing her all my life, the plaintiff is my sister.

Q. State whether the plaintiff and her husband are now living together?

A. No sir, they are not.

Q. Do you know when they were married? A. Yes sir.

Q. When was it? A. In 1896.

Q. Why are they not living together?

A. I don't know sir, he just didn't want to stay.

Q. Did she leave him? A. No sir, he left her.

Q. Where were they living at that time?

A. In Bennett's Pasture, Nansemond County.

Q. How do you know that he left her? A. I was right down there.

Q. How far did you live from them at that time?

A. About three-quarters of a mile.

Q. Did you see them quite often when they lived together?

A. I saw them every day.

Q. Can you tell us whether he really stayed there very much with her, while they were living together?

A. No, sir, he stayed there sometimes and sometimes he did not.

Q. Do you know why he left her?

A. No sir, I don't know any reason at all why he left her, just got tired I reckon.

Q. Did she ever mistreat him to your knowledge? A. Not as I knows of.

Q. Where did he go? A. He went up north.

Q. Has he ever been back to this county since that time?

A. He have been back once.

Q. How long did he remain here? A. He stayed here about 3 days I

Q. Did he go to see his wife while he was here? think.

A. No sir, he came with his brother to bury him.

Q. Do you know whether he has ever been back to live with his wife since he left her?

A. No sir he has never been back.

-2- Lizzie Pope.

Q. How long ago has that been? A. Fifteen years.

Q. Have you lived right close to her since that time. A. Yes sir.

Q. How far away? A. I lives within call, a few hundred yards.

Q. If he had come back to live with her during these fifteen years would you probably have seen him and knownit?

A. Oh yes sir, I would have seen him and known it.

Q. Does she now live in Nansemond County. A. Yes sir.

Q. How long has she been living here?

A. About twenty-three years.

And further this deponent saith not.

Witness: *L. P. Holland* *Lizzie Pope* ^{her} ~~X~~ _{mark}

Virginia, City of Suffolk, to-wit:

I, L. Pretlow Holland, a Commissioner in Chancery for the Circuit Court of the City of Suffolk, Virginia, do certify that the foregoing depositions of Tinnie Gardner, James E. Pope, Amanda Riddick, Joseph Riddick, and Lizzie Pope, were duly taken, subscribed and sworn to before me, at the office of R. H. Rawles, in Suffolk, Virginia, on the 19th of March, 1913,

Given under my hand this 19th day of March, 1913.

L. P. Holland

Commissioner in Chancery.

Due - \$5.00 - Paid.

Definitions

Tinnie Gardner

vs.

In Chancery.

Jesse Gardner.

This cause came on this day to be heard on the bill of the complainant, and the depositions of witnesses duly taken, and the defendant who appears to have been proceeded against in the manner and form prescribed by law for non-resident defendants, failing to plead, answer or demurr, and was argued by counsel.

On consideration whereof, it appearing to the court from the evidence submitted in this cause that the defendant has willfully abandoned and deserted his wife, the plaintiff, for upwards of three years next preceeding the commencement of this suit; that the plaintiff is a resident of the county of Nansemond, and State of Virginia, and has been such for upwards of one year next preceeding the commencement of this suit, and that the said parties last cohabited in the said county of Nansemond, doth order, adjudge and decree that the plaintiff be, and she is hereby granted ~~a~~ and absolute divorce, a vinculo matrimonii from her husband, the defendant, and that the marriage relations heretofore existing between them be, and the same is hereby wholly annulled and set aside; and that the plaintiff recover of the defendant her cost by her in this behalf expended, And it appearing that nothing further remains to be done in this cause, it is ordered that the same be stricken from the docket.

Final Decree.

Enter March 31st 1913.

Miss L. M. Lumsden

Entered in Chancery

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TO THE HONORABLE JAMES L. McLEMORE:

JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF NANSEMOND COUNTY:

Humbly complaining, sheweth unto the court, your oratrix
Tinie Gardner, the following case:

Your oratrix says that on the 30th day of April, 1896, she
was united in marriage to her present husband, Jesse Gardner, in the
County of Nansemond, and State of Virginia, as will more fully ap-
pear by reference to the public marriage records of Nansemond County
duely recorded in the Clerk's Office of said county. Your oratrix
further says that after said marriage she was always a faithful and
dutiful wife unto her said husband and discharged every duty encum-
bered upon her as such, doing all in her power to make his life a
pleasant and a happy one. But she further says that notwithstand-
ing these efforts on her part her husband apparently lost interest
in her within twelve short months after her said marriage, that dur-
ing the time of her said marriage he did but little towards her sup-
port and comfort, leaving her chiefly to look out for, and provide for
herself; that he was improvident, careless, indifferent, and trifling.
She further says that after they had lived together in said county
of Nansemond for a little over a year, her said husband, without any
just or legal cause or excuse whatever, willfully abandoned and de-
serted her, having left her and her home and bed and board in the
year 1897, and that he has never since that time, at any time return-
ed to live with her.

She says she is informed and therefore charges that in popu-
lar language he ran off with another girl, but of this latter fact
she is without proof. She further says that she is informed and
believes and therefore charges that her husband not only left her
and this county, but also left the State of Virginia, and that he
now a non-resident of this state, though she does not know where he
is located, as she has never ^{but one} ~~at~~ any time since his said desertion of
her more than twelve years ago, seen or heard of him ^{and then only from him on the road} and she feels
sure that he has abandoned and deserted her for all time to come.
Under these circumstances she believes that she ought not to be bound
by the marriage tie, and that her best interest and her happiness re-
quire that she should be absolutely divorced from him.

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She further says that she is now a resident of Nansemond County, in the State of Virginia, and has been continuously ^{domiciled here} for many years past; certainly upwards of one year next preceding the commencement of this suit; that she and her said husband last co-habited in said county of Nansemond, and that in fact this county has been her home all of her married life. She therefore charges that her said husband has willfully abaandoned and deserted her for upwards of three years next preceding the commencement of this suit.

In tender consideration whereof, and forasmuch as your oratrix is remediless in the premises, save by the aid of a court of equity, where such matters are alone and properly cognizable, your oratrix prays that the said Jesse Gardner may be made a party, defendant to this suit, and required to answer this bill, though an answer under oath is hereby waived; that proper process may issue; that all proper depositions and accounts may be taken, and that your oratrix may be granted a full and absolute divorce, a vinculo matrimonii from her said husband; and for all such other, further and general relief as her case may require, or which to equity may seem meet and she will ever pray, etc.

Tinie Gardner

VIRGINIA, NANSEMOND COUNTY, to-wit:

I? R. H. Rawles, a Notary Public, for the county aforesaid in the State of Virginia, whose term of office expires on the 3d day of February, 1915, do certify that Tinie Gardner whose name is signed to the foregoing bill, has this day personally appeared before me, in my county aforesaid, and being duly sworn made oath that the statements contained in the above bill as coming of her own knowledge are true, and that all other statements therein contained as coming from knowledge or information derived from others she believes to be true.

Given under my hand this 1st, day of September, 1911.
R. H. Rawles N.P.

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Notes -

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